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CROWN PROCEEDINGS ACT 1947

List of Authorised Government Departments and the names and addresses for service of the person who is, or is acting for the purposes of the Act as, Solicitor for such Departments, published by the Minister for the Civil Service in pursuance of Section 17 of the Crown Proceedings Act 1947.

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AUTHORISED GOVERNMENT
DEPARTMENTS

SOLICITOR AND
ADDRESSES FOR SERVICE

Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service (see Note (3)))	
Cabinet Office)	
Commissioners for the Reduction of National Debt (see Note (4)))	
Crown Prosecution Service)	
Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy)	
Department for Communities and Local Government)	
Department for Culture, Media and Sport)	
Department for Education)	
Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs)	
Department for Exiting the European Union)	
Department for International Development)	
Department for International Trade)	
Department for Transport)	
Department for Work and Pensions)	The Treasury Solicitor
Department of Health)	Government Legal Department
Foreign and Commonwealth Office)	One Kemble Street
Forestry Commission)	London
Government Actuary's Department)	WC2B 4TS
Health and Safety Executive (see Note (5)))	
Her Majesty's Treasury)	(see Notes (1) and (2))
Home Office)	
Ministry of Defence)	
Ministry of Justice)	
National Savings and Investments (NS&I))	
Northern Ireland Office)	
Office for Budget Responsibility (see Note (6)))	
Privy Council Office (see Note (7)))	
Public Works Loan Board (see Note (4)))	
Serious Fraud Office)	
Statistics Board (UK Statistics Authority))	
The National Archives)	
Wales Office (Office of the Secretary of State for Wales))	

Competition and Markets Authority	Director of Litigation Competition and Markets Authority Victoria House Southampton Row London WC1B 4AD
Food Standards Agency	Director of Legal Services Food Standards Agency Aviation House 125 Kingsway London WC2B 6NH
Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs	General Counsel and Solicitor to Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs HM Revenue and Customs South West Wing Bush House, Strand London, WC2B 4RD
National Crime Agency	The Legal Adviser National Crime Agency Units 1-6 Citadel Place Tinworth Street London SE11 5EF
Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills	Deputy Director, Legal Services Ofsted, Aviation House, 125 Kingsway, London WC2B 6SE
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets Authority (Ofgem)	Senior Legal Director Office of Gas and Electricity Markets 9 Millbank London SW1P 3GE

Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation (Ofqual)	Legal Director Ofqual 1410 Spring Place Herald Avenue Coventry Business Park Coventry West Midlands CV5 6UB
Office of Rail and Road	Director of Legal Services ORR One Kemble Street London WC2B 4AN
Water Services Regulation Authority (OFWAT)	General Counsel Water Services Regulation Authority (OFWAT) Centre City Tower 7 Hill Street Birmingham B5 4UA
UK Export Finance	The General Counsel, UK Export Finance, 1 Horse Guards Road, London SW1A 2HQ

NOTES

- (1) Section 17(3) and section 18 of the Crown Proceedings Act 1947 provide as follows:

17(3) Civil proceedings against the Crown shall be instituted against the appropriate authorised Government department, or, if none of the authorised Government departments is appropriate or the person instituting the proceedings has any reasonable doubt whether any and if so which of those departments is appropriate, against the Attorney General.

18 All documents required to be served on the Crown for the purpose of or in connection with any civil proceedings by or against the Crown shall, if those proceedings are by or against an authorised Government department, be served on the solicitor, if any, for that department, or the person, if any, acting for the purposes of this Act as solicitor for that department, or if there is no such solicitor and no person so acting, or if the proceedings are brought by or against the Attorney General, on the Solicitor for the affairs of His Majesty's Treasury.

Proceedings brought against the Attorney General should be served on the Treasury Solicitor.

- (2) The above-mentioned provisions do not apply to Scotland, where in accordance with the Crown Suits (Scotland) Act 1857, as amended by the Scotland Act 1998, civil proceedings against the Crown (other than the Scottish Administration) or any Government Department (other than the Scottish Government) may be directed against the Advocate General for Scotland. The Advocate General's address for service is the Office of the Advocate General for Scotland, Victoria Quay, Edinburgh EH6 6QQ. Civil proceedings against the Scottish Administration may be directed against the Scottish Ministers at St. Andrew's House, Edinburgh EH1 3DG, or against the Lord Advocate for and on behalf of the Scottish Government. The Lord Advocate's address for service is 25 Chambers Street, Edinburgh, EH1 1LA.
- (3) Under section 247 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992, the Crown Proceedings Act 1947 applies to the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service as if it were a Government department for the purposes of civil proceedings arising out of its statutory functions.
- (4) The functions of the Commissioners for the Reduction of National Debt and the Public Works Loan Board are carried out within the UK Debt Management Office.
- (5) Under section 10 of Health and Safety at work etc. Act 1974, the Crown Proceedings Act 1947 applies to the Health and Safety Executive as if it were a Government department for the purposes of civil proceedings arising out of its functions.
- (6) Under paragraph 7 of Schedule 1 to the Budget Responsibility and National Audit Act 2011, the Crown Proceedings Act 1947 applies to the Office for Budget Responsibility as if it were a Government department for the purposes of civil proceedings arising out of its functions.
- (7) The Privy Council Office supports the Privy Council and the Lord President of the Council in exercising their functions as an advisory council of state, independent of government, which can be the subject of civil proceedings.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ben Gummer', written over a horizontal line.

(Signed) BEN GUMMER
MINISTER FOR THE CABINET
OFFICE, PAYMASTER GENERAL
30 January 2017